

State of Mississippi

Mississippi Department of Agriculture and Commerce

Agriculture Fact Sheet Corn 2014



- Mississippi's farmers produced 96,720,000 bushels in 2014.
- 2,022 Mississippi farms grew corn in 2014..
- \$350 million value of production in 2014.
- Mississippi ranks #19 in the United States in corn for grain production.
- Corn was first used for food 10,000 years ago by Indigenous people living in what is now Mexico.
- One bushel of corn produces:
 - 32 pounds of starch
 - 33 pounds of sweetener
 - 2.5 gallons of ethanol/alcohol
 - 1.6 pounds of corn oil
 - 13.5 pounds of 20% protein gluten feed.
- The United States produces about 40% of the worlds corn.
- Corn can be grown in most mild and tropical regions of the world.
- Corn has an incredibly long shelf life. Archeologists have been able to pop 1,000 year-old kernels.
- Corn is used in:
 - Animal Feed
 - Syrups and Sweeteners
 - Ethanol
 - Starches
 - Ceramics
 - Paints
 - Seed

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